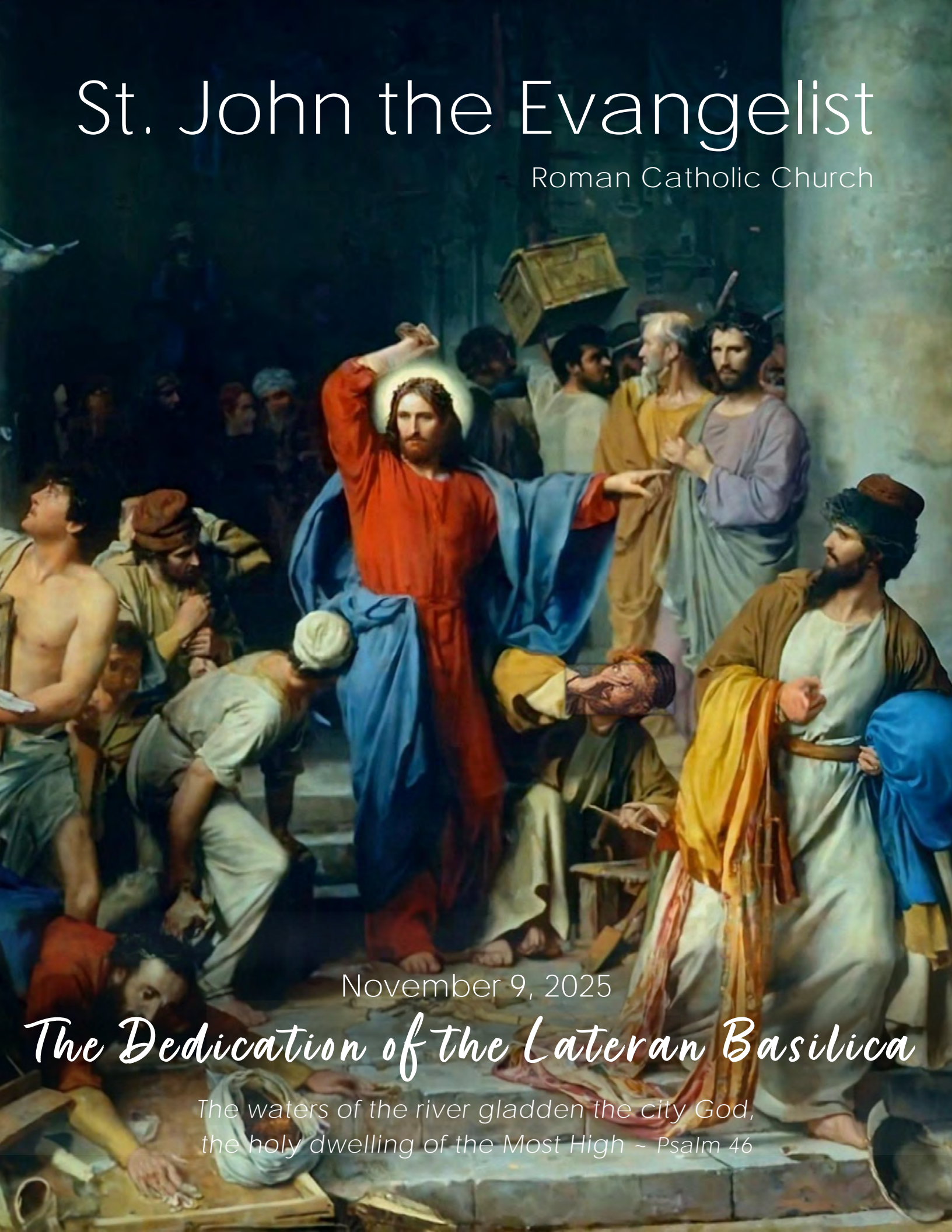


# St. John the Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church



November 9, 2025

## *The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*

The waters of the river gladden the city God,  
the holy dwelling of the Most High ~ Psalm 46



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## OUR PARISH MISSION

Inspired by our Patron, St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Center Moriches seeks to bring the light of Christ to a world in need, so that as Christ has done, we may also do. From the celebration of the Eucharist, we are sent forth to serve God and neighbor through ministries of formation, education and outreach.

-Mission Statement

## Church Hours

Monday through Friday 6:30 AM - 2:45 PM  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Seton Chapel  
(Convent) - Monday through Friday  
3:00 - 7:00 PM

## Next Weekend's Schedule

### Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM - Fr. Charlince

7:30 PM (Spanish) - Fr. Peter

(Saturday Evening 5 PM Mass  
will be livestreamed. Videos remain  
on Facebook after the live broadcast.)

### Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM - Fr. Francis

10:00 AM - Fr. Jerry

12 noon - Msgr. Walden

6:00 PM - Fr. Patrick

\*Presider subject to change. Please call the Rectory or  
check SJE Social Media for latest updates.

**Reverend Patrick M. Riegger**  
Pastor

**Reverend Charlince Vendredy**  
Parochial Vicar

**Reverend Monsignor Ellsworth R. Walden**  
Retired, In Residence

**Reverend Francis Lasrado**  
Retired, In Residence

**Reverend Jerry DiSpigno**  
Parish Assistant

**Reverend Peter D'Abele**  
Parish Assistant

**John Pettorino**  
Deacon

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Deacon

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## Office Hours

**Monday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM**

**Tuesday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM**

6 - 8 PM Spanish-speaking support.

**Wednesday: 9 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Thursday: 9 AM - 7:30 PM**

**Friday: 9 AM - 2 PM**

**Saturday: 9 AM - 2 PM**

Please call before visiting any parish offices.

## Mass Schedule

## Confession Schedule

We celebrate the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday - Friday: After the 7 AM & 12 Noon Masses

Saturday: After the 8 AM Mass

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM &  
7:00 - 7:15 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 5:30 - 5:45 PM

Confessions will take place in Our Lady's  
Chapel in the Church.



# A Reflection from the Director of Family Ministries...

**Today we celebrate** the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. Now that's a mouthful! The Basilica of St. John Lateran is the oldest and highest-ranking of the four major basilicas in Rome, Italy. It serves as the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome and the official ecclesiastical seat of the Pope. Now, if you're anything like me...you may be a bit curious about the history of the Lateran Basilica. Well, I did a little research, and I even discovered why it's extra special for our parish family. Allow me to share with you just a little of what I learned. For those of you who know all about this...skip to paragraph # 4.

**In 313, the Emperor Constantine** granted full liberty to Christians, springboarding Christianity from an illegitimate to a legitimate religion in the Roman Empire. In response to this, Christians began openly building churches all over, as they were now free to consecrate places to God. Constantine the Great also constructed churches, one of which was a magnificent basilica, built on the Caelian Hill in Rome. You guessed it -Constantine built the Lateran Basilica. The name Lateran comes from the family name, Laterani, a privileged Roman family who previously owned the property on which the basilica was built. The Lateran Basilica, the oldest church in the west, served as both a physical and a political turning point in the history of our Christian Faith. But there's more! The Lateran Basilica was dedicated several different times by several different popes. In 324, Pope Sylvester I dedicated the basilica to Christ the Savior. Later on, a chapel dedicated to St. John the Baptist was built inside the basilica, which served as the baptistry. This moved Pope Sergius II to dedicate the basilica to St. John the Baptist in the 10<sup>th</sup> century. In the 12<sup>th</sup> century, Pope Lucius II dedicated the basilica to none other than St. John the Evangelist! And so the official name is: "Papal Archbasilica of the Most Holy Savior and Saints John the Baptist and the Evangelist in the Lateran". This is simplified in common vernacular to "St. John Lateran." And just to clear up any confusion regarding the question, "Who is St. John Lateran?" It's a trick question. There is no such saint.

**The Lateran Basilica** and the adjacent Lateran Palace have housed many events that have changed the course of world history as well as that of the Catholic Church; including 5 Ecumenical councils, the signing of the Lateran Pacts and serving as the residence of the Popes until the 15<sup>th</sup> century. The history of the architecture is fascinating...and too vast to incorporate herein.

**So where** did the feast day come from? The basilica had been destroyed several times throughout history, but it was always rebuilt. Under the pontificate of Benedict XIII, the final reconstruction took place and the basilica was rededicated in the early part of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. It was at that time that today's feast was established and extended to the universal Church. The dedication anniversary of every cathedral is a feast day for all the churches in that diocese. As the Lateran is the cathedral of Rome, it is a feast day for the entire Church, celebrated everywhere. In fact, the feast of the Dedication of St. John Lateran is of such great

importance that it outranks a Sunday in Ordinary Time, as is the circumstance today.

**But today's Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica** is much more far-reaching than the dedication of a beautiful church to the Lord. It encourages us to reflect on the journey of God's people throughout history, God's constant love and faithful care, and our free will to respond to that love, or not. In the first reading, Ezekiel tries to encourage the people during the Babylonian exile, when they didn't have anything - no land to call their own and no place to pray to their God. He provides a beautiful vision of a temple... a temple flowing with the waters of new life. It would be a place where the people could pray to their God and where their God would draw near to them. The people to whom Ezekiel spoke needed the promise of stability and safety, that the structure of a temple offered. But we know, all too well, that the "meeting place" for God and man, is not a brick-and-mortar building.

**In the second reading,** St. Paul makes it very clear to the people of Corinth that they themselves are the temples of God; the "buildings" in which the Holy Spirit of God dwells. Each one of us, through the grace of God, is himself or herself, a "house of the Lord", with Jesus Christ as the foundation. St. Paul cautions us to carefully build upon the foundation. Yet how careful are we? Do we allow the mediocre building materials of a lost society to become part of the structure of our temples? Do we carefully scrutinize the "bricks" that will become embedded in our temple walls, making sure that they are solid and strong and holy? Perhaps a chat with a local mason could shed some light on the dangers of using subpar materials to build a structure, even though the foundation may be perfect. Have we honored our perfect foundation by using only the best materials with which to build our temples? Perhaps something to ponder.

**And once again,** in the gospel, the meeting place of God and Man, becomes the focal point. For the moneychangers, it was the value of the coin that blinded them. Profit interfered with the sacredness of that place. The temple had been built as a holy place, a place where people would fall to their knees before their God...to praise Him, to thank Him, to seek His mercy and to ask for His help. The temple was a holy place where God could come to His people, to listen to their prayers, to forgive them, to guide them and to love them. Have we turned our temples into something other than that? We may not be distracted by selling oxen and sheep and doves; but have we lost sight of our true purpose here on earth because we are distracted by the things of this world? A good, long, look within will provide the answers.

**So now what?** Perhaps today, knowing that we are unconditionally loved by God, we invite Jesus to spill our coins, and turn over our tables, so that with His love and mercy, we can return our "temples" to their true purpose... to know God...to love God, to serve God, and to one day be with Him forever in Heaven.

Happy Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica!

-Carolyn Lapham



# Masses for the Week...

## Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> Weekday

- 8:00 AM All Souls Novena's  
 5:00 PM Joseph and Jane Sherry  
 7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

## Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

- 8:00 AM Raymond and Maryann Oudeans  
 10:00 AM Vito Stabile  
 12:00 Noon Stephanie Delaport  
 6:00 PM All Souls Novenas

## Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup> Saint Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

- 7:00 AM All Souls Novenas  
 12:00 Noon Paul Donohue

## Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

- 7:00 AM Rosa Clemente  
 12:00 PM Goncalo Rego

## Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Saint Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

- 7:00 AM Ernest Vigliotta  
 12:00 Noon Goncalo Rego

## Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

- 7:00 AM Paul Donohue  
 12:00 Noon Kristen Bigora

## Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> Weekday

- 7:00 AM Peter Cochrane  
 12:00 Noon Francesco Pirro

## Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Weekday

- 8:00 AM Manuel and Helen Cordeiro  
 5:00 PM Victoria O'Neill  
 7:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

## Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 AM William Hope  
 10:00 AM Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney  
 12:00 Noon Paul Mussi  
 6:00 PM Karl Glaser



This week, our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS). The AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs and services, to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – including those from our own parish. Please give generously.



## PARISH WEEKLY DONATIONS

Average Weekly from January 1, 2025 to present.

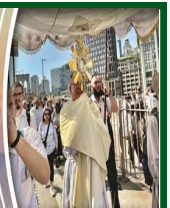
Year	Total	# of Weeks	Average Weekly
2025	787,725	44	\$17,903
2024	786,238	44	\$17,869

# 2025

**Please help us reach our goal!**

*Catholic Ministries Appeal*  
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Renewed by the Eucharist  
Sent on Mission*



As of 11/4/2025	2025	2024
Parish Goal	\$115,100	\$115,100
Number of Donors	241	246
Total Pledged to date	\$92,664	\$98,512
Avg. Gift\$	385	\$400
Percent of Goal	81%	85.6%

Supporting the CMA helps to support SJE! We receive back 20% of whatever is raised below the goal. If we go above the goal, we also receive 80% of all monies that are raised above the goal! Please help us go above the goal!



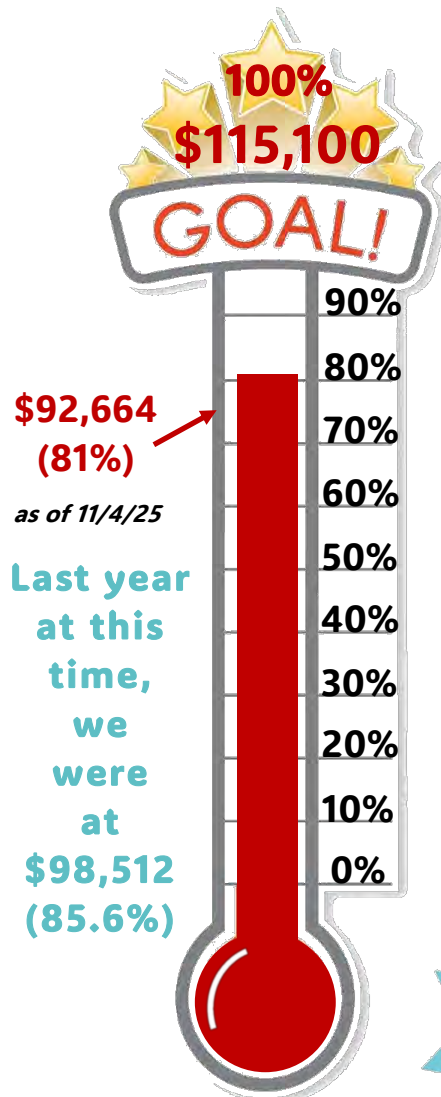
**2025***Catholic Ministries Appeal*  
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE*Renewed by the Eucharist  
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The Eucharistic Revival has enkindled a missionary fire in the hearts of the American faithful. Going out on Mission - for the life of the World is the most important phase, where we go out and share the love of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist to transform the world. Faith is alive in our parishes and schools, soup kitchens and housing programs, on street corners and in churches. It is lived through people of all backgrounds, from every neighborhood. People everywhere come together to support one another. It is in this spirit that the Catholic Ministries Appeal exists: to bring support and build strong communities through faith and your generosity.

Every year, the annual Catholic Appeal provides us an opportunity to realize the difference we can make when we act together in God's love. Please consider joining us again this year by making a gift to the 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal.



## Please help us reach our goal!



***We have reached 81% of our goal, with less than 2 months left! Please help if you can!***

Many thanks to those who have made their pledge to the CMA! If you haven't made your pledge yet, please prayerfully consider how your generosity can make a world of difference!

Supporting the CMA helps to support SJE! Every dollar raised over 80% comes back to us, up to 100% of the goal! We will receive \$24,000 in rebates if we reach 100%.

Thank you for your consideration!



**SCAN TO DONATE**



## Altar of Remembrance

During the month of November, we remember in a special way our loved ones who have died. This year, we will be preparing a special Altar of Remembrance in the Seton Chapel. *Beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>, you are invited to place a picture on the altar so that we may remember your loved ones and pray for each other.* Please limit the size of your photo (perhaps no larger than 4 x 6) so that there is room for everyone who wishes to participate. You may place the picture in a small frame. Please remember to write your name and phone number on the back of the picture. Pictures may be dropped off at the rectory or at the sacristy.

*We ask that you pick up your picture no later than Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.*

## Book of the Names of the Dead



Beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>, a special book will be placed inside Our Lady's Chapel for members of our parish community to write down the names of loved ones who have died. The names in this book will be remembered at our Masses throughout the month of November.

*St. John the Evangelist...*  
**THANKSGIVING**  
*Mass*

*Our entire parish family joins together to give thanks to God for the many blessings in our lives.*

**9:00AM THURSDAY\*  
NOVEMBER 27th**

At this liturgy, we...

Give thanks to God for his many blessings in our lives.  
Invite parishioners to bring non-perishable food items for Ernie's Place or for Street Ministry.  
Seek God's blessing upon the food we will use for our Thanksgiving meals.

*Please bring something from your Thanksgiving table to be blessed.*

\*Please note: This will be the only Mass celebrated on Thanksgiving



*Adoration*  
of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday - Friday from  
3:00 - 7:00 PM

+ Seton Chapel + In the Convent of  
St. John the Evangelist

Please consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. On Mondays following Adoration, there is a Holy Hour to Pray for Priests from 7 - 8 PM. All are invited to pray for our Shepherds. Please consider offering one hour per week before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

If you can be present for a specific hour, email [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org) or call the Parish Office at 631.878.0009.



# Holy Hour for Vocations

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14th  
7:00 PM

with Guest Presider and Homilist

**Fr. John Crozier**

We are excited to welcome Fr. Crozier, who is Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Rockville Centre, and Chaplain for Saint Anthony's High School.

*We invite all to come together and pray for vocations for Priests and Religious as a parish family!*





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# Praying For and With One Another

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## Remember

Grace Smallwood + Rosalyn Hassell  
Veronica Lang + Joachim Valerian Vas

"For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again,  
even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him  
those who have died." -1 Thessalonians 4:14

## Pray for the Sick

Carol Theisen	Alessandra Veloso Valentim
Ray Galpin	Daniel Treadwell
Miguel Rivera	Rev. Matthew Considine
Eileen & Chuck DeRicco	Hugh Hogan
Michael Campanello	Douglas Ashley
Bill Hasper	Valentino Liuzzi
Joseph Martino	Gloria Rosato
Baby Isabelle Reyes	Liz Harrington
Patricia Farrell	Andrew & Michael Sikora
Mark Havens	

*"In this you rejoice, although now for a little while  
you may have to suffer through various trials..."*  
-1 Peter 1:6

If you would like a loved one's name placed under  
Prayers for the Sick, please call the rectory at  
631.878.0009 or e-mail to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org).

## Our Military

### US Marine Corps

LC Michael Abbatiello  
CPL Evan Berkemeyer  
PFC Sean Brady  
PAC Kevin W. Deshler II  
SSGT Claudia Kerstiens  
TSGT Timothy Kerstiens  
SGT Quentin Montemarano  
PVT Charles O'Connor  
E-1 Christian Raeihle  
PFC Kyle Toscanini  
2<sup>nd</sup> LT Christopher Walther

### US Air Force

SrA Anthony Auciello  
SSGT David Giese  
A1C Brenden M. Hayes  
SSGT Jason M Hermes  
SSGT Kyle Kerstiens  
SSGT Ryan Kerstiens  
SSGT Timothy Kerstiens  
SrA Jared T. Rosato  
LT Col Salvatore Sferrazza  
SSGT William E. McCauley II  
1st Lt. Claire McGrath  
A1C James Pfister

### US Navy

E43CPO Jason Abbatiello  
MMN2 Christopher J Esposito Jr  
STGCS Brian Holzmacher  
ET3 Jeremiah Nolan, Jr  
ETVSN Angel Gabriel Montoya Rivera  
ENS Ralph J. Ruggiero  
SR Thomas Taylor III  
SR Jack Patrick Walsh  
SR Michael Paduana  
EM3 Andrew R. Casey

### US Army

SGT Sean Casey  
PVT Joseph Cestare  
SPC Michael Garcia Jr  
PVT Anthony Koch  
CPL Aidan O'Neill  
PFC David Smith  
Steven Valentin  
PFC Francis J. Amalifitano

### US Coast Guard

BM3 Brendan J. Bernath  
CPT Keith Donohue

If you wish to place someone on the Military prayer list,  
please call the rectory at 631.878.0009 or  
e-mail to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org).



# Remembering Our Loved Ones

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The Altar Bread & Wine for the month of November  
has been donated in honor of:

*Susan Kagel*

### Mass Intentions

Remembering one who has passed away at Mass is a  
most noble practice calling us to pray for one who  
has died at the most powerful prayer we know -  
the celebration of the Eucharist.

### Altar Bread and Wine

Names will be listed in each bulletin during the  
course of that month.

**An offering of \$250 is requested.**

*SJE offers a number of ways to remember loved ones, or honor someone living.*

To make an offering, visit or contact the Parish Office at 631.878.0009 or email to [rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:rectory@sjecm.org)

### Votive Candles/Altar Candles

A number of votive candles enlighten the beautiful  
statues in our church. You may have a particular  
devotion to one of these saints. These candles are  
next to the statues of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph,  
St. Teresa, St. Gerard Majella and the Sacred Heart of  
Jesus. They bring a certain light to the statues and,  
hopefully, inspire some deeper times of prayer and  
reflection. **Altar Candles - \$25.00 per week.**






Sunday, November 23rd

Come make a...

# Family Advent Wreath



St. John the Evangelist Family Life Ministry will sponsor our fourth annual Family-Advent Wreath-making Event. This is a WONDERFUL family event! All families are invited to experience a joyful afternoon filled with faith, fellowship and fun. Each family will get to make an Advent wreath to take home and use during the Advent season.

We will meet in the auditorium at 11:15, after the 10:00 am Mass. All of the materials needed to make the Advent wreaths will be provided.

Bring a pair of small pruning shears if you can.



A donation of \$25 per family is suggested to offset the cost of the materials.

PRE-REGISTRATION is required to ensure that we have enough supplies. Spots are limited, please register **BEFORE November 19th.** Please use the QR Code or use the link on the parish website [SJECm.org](http://SJECm.org)



All Parish Families are Welcome!

If you have any questions, please email [clapham@sjecm.org](mailto:clapham@sjecm.org)



# Thanksgiving

Ways to Help...

# #1

## Sponsor a Family

Have your family help a family this holiday season!

Please consider sponsoring a family for the holidays! Currently, our parish outreach is busy registering families experiencing food insecurity for Thanksgiving. Each year, Ernie's Place provides a complete Thanksgiving meal — including canned vegetables, stuffing, mashed potatoes, and a turkey or grocery store gift card — to those in need.

If you are interested in sponsoring a family, we're asking for a gift basket donation to make their Thanksgiving extra special. Our hope is to have each family receive this special treat to go along with the food we'll be providing from Ernie's Place!

### Some Basket Gift Ideas...

Get creative! Shop together  
as a family and make it fun.  
No need to wrap items —  
a simple bow is perfect!



- Breakfast box
- Thanksgiving centerpiece or holiday décor
- Toiletry basket (Bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, etc.)
- Snack bag or goody basket
- Mixing bowl and whisk set
- Pie plate with serving spatula
- Serving bowl with serving utensils.
- Sheet pan with boxed \*cookie mix or cake pan with \*cake mix and frosting
- Your favorite family recipe on a card — include all the ingredients in a baking dish!
- Serving platter with paper goods, a gratitude journal, and a Thanksgiving tablecloth

(\*Please ensure all food items are non-perishable.)



Please complete the form below and drop it in the basket at Church, bring it to the rectory or email it to [thanksgiving@SJEcm.org](mailto:thanksgiving@SJEcm.org) NO LATER than Friday, November 14th. All donations will need to be brought in on 11/20; you will be contacted with drop off information after we receive your form. Any questions or for more information please call 631-878-0009 ext. 120

**Yes!** We/I can help Sponsor a Family for a Thanksgiving Gift Basket!

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Family of 2

☐

Family of 4

☐

Family of 6

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Family of 8

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

"....do small things with Great Love"



# Thanksgiving...

## Ways to Help...

### #2 Donate Food

#### NEED:

Canned Cranberry sauce  
Boxed Mashed potatoes  
Canned Sweet Potatoes  
Cream of Mushroom soup  
Canned Beans  
Canned Carrots  
Canned Corn  
Canned Peas  
Canned Pumpkin

Turkey Gravy  
Onion straws  
Cake mix  
Cake icing  
Apple juice  
Rice  
Stuffing  
Mini-Marshmallows  
Boxed Corn Bread

#### Drop-off Locations:

Non-perishable food can be left at Ernie's Place in the bin, or in Fellowship Hall in the Church.

**By Sunday, November 16th**

### #3 Help put it all together

We will need lots of help with the distribution of the meal to our Families on **Saturday, November 22nd**

Please complete the form below and let us know how you can help! It can be dropped in the basket at church, dropped at the rectory office or emailed to [thanksgiving@SJEcm.org](mailto:thanksgiving@SJEcm.org)

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Yes!

We/I can help contact families via phone to schedule pick up times. This would be done on your own time the week of November 17th.

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Yes!

We are in need of Spanish speakers to assist with calling our families the week of November 17th.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # : \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return NO LATER than Friday, November 14th**





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# Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School

## Contact Us!

☎ 631-878-1033

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Scan QR Code



# Halloween: "Trunk or Treat" & Parade





# Parish Social Ministry

PSM Office 631.878.0009 ext. 120

Email: [socialministry@SJECm.org](mailto:socialministry@SJECm.org)

## Community Meal

This month our Community Meal will be held on **November 17<sup>th</sup>** at 6 PM in the Parish Auditorium.

If you know of any individual or family in need, please invite them to join us for a delicious, home-cooked, sit-down meal!



## THRIFT SHOP

Our Thrift Shop is open every Wednesday from 9 AM-12 PM. All are welcome to shop! The proceeds from the weekly sales at the shop are returned to our Parish outreach programs to help those in need in our local community.

Donations are greatly appreciated in the green bins in the school parking lot in front of our shop anytime but especially on Monday and Tuesday mornings between 9-11 AM!

## ERNIE'S PLACE

Ernie's Place Food Pantry is open to serve those in need in our community on Monday's from 6:30-7:30 PM and Thursdays from 3:00-4:00 PM. If you are interested in volunteering to serve when we're open or to help re-stock and organize our pantry shelves, please call to join us!

- \* Syrup
- \* Cereal
- \* Ketchup
- \* Hot Sauce
- \* Drink Boxes
- \* Jar Pasta Sauce
- \* Cake Mix and Icing
- \* Bags of Black & Red Beans
- \* Small Bags of White Rice
- \* Small bottles of Cooking Oil



## STREET MINISTRY

Our Street Ministry team provides food and clothes to those in need every Thursday night. There are lots of opportunities to get involved whether you like to cook, serve, help load our van or fold clothes. Please reach out for more information!

- ◆ Gloves
- ◆ Blankets
- ◆ Single Razors
- ◆ Shaving Cream
- ◆ Face/Wash cloths
- ◆ Travel Size Shampoo
- ◆ Travel Size Body Lotion
- ◆ Women's **new** Underwear (S, M)
- ◆ Men's **new** Underwear & Socks (S, M, L, XL)
- ◆ Gently used men's & women's sneakers
- ◆ **Gently used men's jeans in size 32, 34 and 36**



*Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours.  
Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world.*

## Men's Prayer Group...



### CALLING ALL MEN!

Come join the Totus Tuus Men's Prayer Group on **Saturday mornings at 9 AM** in the Convent. Join as us as we learn to follow the example of St. Joseph and grow in our faith, reflect on the Gospel and have coffee. For more information, please call the rectory office at 631-878-0009.

## Bereavement Support...

Grieving is a natural process each of us goes through after the death of a loved one. While no one can take away our sadness, others can help by listening and caring. Sharing our feelings with others who have experienced the death of a loved one help many people begin the healing process.

*Grief never ends but it changes.  
It is a passage, not a place to stay.  
It is not a sign of weakness,  
nor a lack of faith.  
Grief is the price of love.*

**Saturday mornings - 10:30 AM to 12 Noon**

First floor meeting room in the Barn.

**REGISTRATION:** Contact the **Rectory** at

**631.878.0009** or via email at

[Rectory@sjecm.org](mailto:Rectory@sjecm.org)

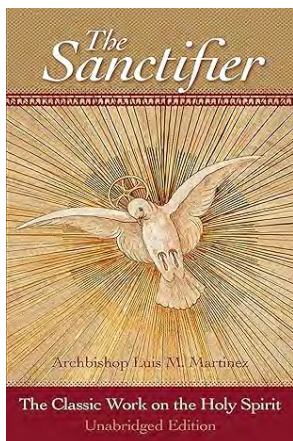
**\$10 donation** for the workbook.

## Women's Group...

Our Women's Group will begin again on Monday, September 22, 2025, at 10 AM to 11:30 AM. We welcome newcomers anytime to join our group. All meetings are open, come when you can. There are no rules, just **desire** for growth in Jesus and fellowship.

We're still reading *The Sanctifier* by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez. Part I is about True Devotion to the Holy Spirit. Part II: The Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Part III: The Fruit of the Spirit. Part IV: The Beatitudes.

As we read, we come to understand through our sharing, that the Holy Spirit is working in our daily lives & we're right where we're supposed to be on our journey. We're growing a little at a time. We all have the same feelings, doubts, fears, lack of knowledge, we're imperfect & we come to accept that. We're sisters in Jesus cheering each other on. If you're uncomfortable to share, you don't have to. We're just happy that you choose to be with us.



There is no charge for the books, all meetings are on Mondays, 10-11:30 AM, which gives you time to attend 12:00 mass if you wish. We're in the white house meeting room (convent), between the school & the rectory (blue house).

*God Bless you, Carol & Anita (Moderators)*

**For info call 631-878-0009**

**2025:** November 17, December 1, 15

**2026:** January 5, 26, February 9, 23, March 9, 23,

April 13, 27, May 11, 18, June 1, 15, 29

(Summer break July, August, back in September)



# OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

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At our "Family of Faith" parent/student sessions last month for Grades 1-6, families learned the basics about the Sacraments and what it means to be initiated into the Church! Special thanks to the parents who gave brief witnesses about the program to our families and to all our volunteers!



## 2025 FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDARS for all our programs are available on the Faith Formation page of our parish website.

([sjecm.org](http://sjecm.org), click on "Faith Formation")

### LEVEL 7 (Confirmation Prep Year 1):

#### **Next Class Session:**

**Monday, November 17 at 7:15 PM in the Church.**

Remember to bring your "Breakthrough" Bibles  
and a donation of a roll of toilet paper for our  
Parish Social Ministry!

### LEVEL 8 (Confirmation Prep Year 2):

#### ***SPECIAL EVENT***

***on Friday, November 14 ~ 7 PM in the Church***

***\*Holy Hour for Vocations\****

***All Students must be accompanied by a parent or  
adult; Sign in at the Main Lobby of the Church.***

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 131 STUDENTS WHO  
RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ON  
NOVEMBER 7.**



#### **Next Sessions:**

- **Tuesday, December 2 & Thursday, December 4**  
at 5 PM or 7 PM in the Church (attend one).
- **Grade Level 3 Mass - Sunday, 11/16 at 10 AM.**  
Please bring your completed activity sheet (which will be  
given out at the November sessions) and hand it in at the  
Main Lobby when you enter the church!
- **Our Parish Tree Lighting** will take place after our 5  
PM session on the Thursday, 12/4. The Tree Lighting will  
begin at 6:15 PM on the Convent Lawn. Hot chocolate and  
snacks will be provided!





## Hope for the Holidays

for Adults and Students

Thursday, November 13, 2025, 6-7:30pm

Westhampton Presbyterian Church

90 Meeting House Road

Westhampton Beach

Adult Session-Meeting Hall

Student Session (Ages 4-17)-Conference Room

The holiday season is a special time of year to spend with the people you love and can be especially painful if you have recently lost a loved one. While it may be difficult, it's important to remember that the holidays can still be a time of celebration, even through grief. This program will explore meaningful ways to ease your anticipated grief and heartache during the holidays for adults and children. Program provided free of charge to public.

Registration is required.

To register or for more  
information please contact:  
Dina DiFolco, 631.288.8400  
ddifolco@eeh.org



Knights of Columbus

# BINGO

## Night

Every Friday  
Doors Open at 6:30 P.M.  
Games Begin at 7:30 P.M.  
**\$3000 IN PRIZES**  
SJE Parish Auditorium

## Looking ahead...

**Tuesday, November 11th**

ALL Parish Offices will be CLOSED  
In Observance of Veterans Day.

**Sunday, November 16th**

Sandwich Sunday

**Sunday, November 23rd**

Family Advent Wreath Making

**Tuesday, December 4th**

SJE Tree Lighting

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE MORICHES  
PRESENTS:

# VETERANS DAY

## Parade!

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS A VETERAN AND WOULD BE  
INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE,  
PLEASE CALL MIRIAM GILLIES AT 631-878-1111

NOV 09, 2025

STARTS AT 2 PM

MAIN STREET, EAST MORICHES

MORICHESCHAMBER.ORG



# A Message from Monsignor Walden...



Today's Mass is not what would be otherwise, but because the date is November 9<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome. This basilica is the first church building allowed by the reigning King in Rome. Constantine was the first emperor to become a Christian and St. John Lateran was given by his family (Laterano) in the year 313. It is the diocesan church for the Bishop of Rome, which the pope is in addition to being the head of the church around the world. When I went to Rome over thirty years ago, I visited that church as well as St. Peter's Basilica.

Our parish church right here in Center Moriches is a gift we have to come together to pray, celebrate, and encounter God Himself in the Sacraments. It is also a building where we can just come and pray privately in Jesus' presence in the Eucharist. In addition, we have the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the Convent, where every weekday we can come and pray until 7:00 PM Monday through Friday. The first reading for Mass today is from Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9,12 where a beautiful image of what flows out of God's temple will do. The water flowing out makes a great stream for fish, plants, and all people. The water is so powerful that the trees along its banks yield fruit every month, not just once a year. Once the water flows into the ocean, then its fresh water overpowers the salt in the sea.

That is an incredible picture, but what flows out of our parish Church right here on Ocean Avenue is you and me. We are the ones who are nourished, motivated, and empowered to make a powerful, loving difference in the lives of all we touch with our love, goodness, generosity, mercy, concern, words, and love everyday. None of us is perfect, but with the love of God and His presence in our minds and hearts, needs are met with joy; and God's love and mercy energizes and humbles us to always seek reconciliation and strengthening words with those whose lives we touch everyday through simple gestures, kind words, and our

compassionate presence. Through the wonder of God's mercy and wisdom, we enrich each other, thereby putting flesh and bones on the Body of Christ, the Church in the World. That simple exercise we use with children is spelling the word CHURCH by saying, C H, then pointing to each other saying YOU ARE, C, H. Yes, our wonderful church building is a powerful resource for all us and all whose lives we touch everyday of our lives.

When I was an altar boy back in the 1950s we began Mass by kneeling and responding to the priests words as we prayed together:

**Priest:**

**Introibo ad altare Dei.**

*Translation: I will go unto the altar of God.*

**Altar Boys:**

**Ad Deum qui laetificat juventutem meam.**

*Translation: Unto God who gives joy to my youth.*

**I conclude with the Blessed Virgin Mary's prayer of joy.**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly  
servant. From this day all generations will  
call me blessed:

the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in  
every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their  
thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,  
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel  
for he remembered his promise of mercy,  
the promise he made to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his children forever.



## Comunidad Hispano...

La Comunidad Hispana de nuestra Parroquia en Centro Moriches te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa en español los sábados a las 7:30 PM en la Iglesia.

Te invitamos a compartir la Palabra de Dios en el Grupo de Oración, todos los viernes a las 7:30 PM en la Capilla del Convento Parroquial. Ven a enriquecer tu vida espiritual orando

### MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

#### BAUTISMO:

Por favor traiga el certificado de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

#### Requisitos:

1. Acta de nacimiento del niño o niña.
2. Certificado de registro de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos)
3. Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de San Juan para fijar las fechas de la charla prebautismal (OBLIGATORIO para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.

Segundo domingo a las 14 horas en la Iglesia.

Las clases de prebautismo son el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

#### CASAMIENTO:

Las parejas que planean casarse deben concertar una cita con uno de los sacerdotes antes de la boda. Esto les dará tiempo suficiente para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para más información llame a la oficina.

El personal de la oficina estará disponible para hablar en español de 6 a 8 PM los martes. Asegúrese de llamar antes de venir a visitarnos.  
[espanol@sjecm.org](mailto:espanol@sjecm.org)

Office staff will be available to speak in Spanish from 6 to 8 PM on Tuesdays. Be sure to call before you come and visit.

¡Dejanos ayudarte!

#### DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS DE ERNIE

Abierto - Lunes 6:30 PM a las 7:30 PM

Jueves 3:00 PM a las 4:00 PM.

#### TIENDA DE SEGUNDA MANO

Miércoles - Granero

Miércoles de 9:00 AM a las 12:00 PM.

#### COMIDA COMUNITARIA

Último lunes del mes 6:00 PM  
auditorio de la escuela

#### MINISTERIO DE CALLE

Jueves - Estación de tren Mastic-Shirley  
7:15 PM (aproximadamente)

Se encuentran disponibles comidas y ropa sencillas.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a traducir para quienes lo necesiten. Necesitamos voluntarios bilingües para nuestra despensa de comida. ¡Avísanos si puedes ayudar!

ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY SCHOLA CANTORUM  
PRESENTS AN

## Advent & Christmas Concert




Scan for tickets

Join us for an annual holiday tradition of song and fellowship!

Saturday, December 6, 2025 - 4:00pm (914) 968 - 6200 x 8201  
Sunday, December 7, 2025 - 4:00pm 201 Seminary Avenue, Yonkers, NY

For tickets visit [SJSCConcert2025.eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)  
Deadline to register is Friday, November 28th

Tickets: Children 12 & under \$25.00 / Adults \$40.00 General Admission / VIP Seating \$150.00  
Ticket holders are invited to a hot buffet reception following the concert!

WIFE

MOTHER



PHYSICIAN

MARTYR OF LIFE

## A NIGHT OF PRAYER AND SUPPORT FOR COUPLES SUFFERING FROM INFERTILITY AND MISCARRIAGE

## ST. GIANNA MOLLA MASS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - 7:00 PM

A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW MASS IN THE HOLY FAMILY CHAPEL INCLUDING:

TESTIMONY FROM A COUPLE WHO STRUGGLED WITH INFERTILITY  
EARLY IN THEIR MARRIAGE

PRESENTATION AND Q&A BY DR JENNIFER DEMARCO  
OF THE GIANNA CENTER FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH AND FERTILITY



ST. BARNABAS THE APOSTLE  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
2320 Bedford Ave, Bellmore NY





# PILGRIMS OF HOPE



2025 is the Jubilee Holy Year, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." The concept of "Jubilee" has its origins in the Book of Leviticus (chapter 25) as a special year of reconciliation, pilgrimage, and coming home. Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope."

## THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

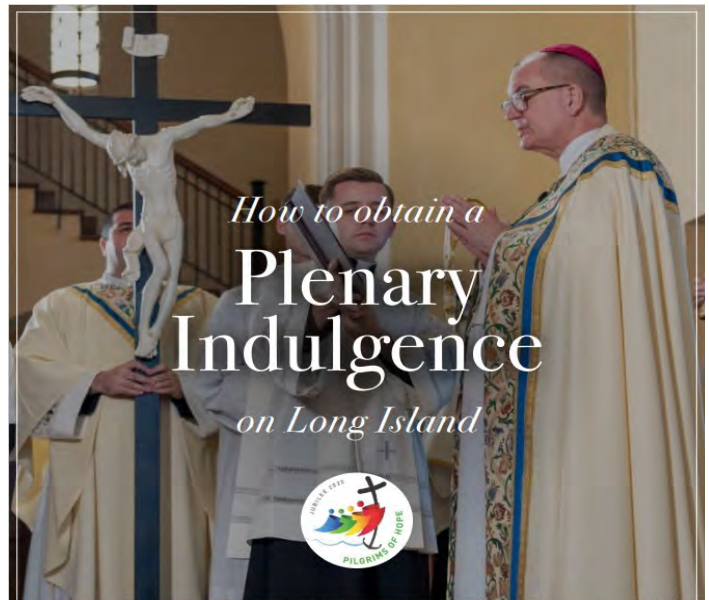
May your grace transform us into  
tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



The faithful of Long Island can  
attain this Plenary Indulgence  
by making a pilgrimage to

**THE CATHEDRAL  
of  
ST. AGNES**

and praying at the

**2025 JUBILEE YEAR CROSS**

enshrined at the Cathedral and installed  
by Bishop John O. Barres.



## Requirements for Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee Year of Hope

- 1 Visit the Jubilee Cross at St. Agnes Cathedral
- 2 Make a Sacramental Confession shortly before or after the visit to the Jubilee Cross
- 2 Be spiritually detached from sin
- 2 Receive Jesus truly present in the Holy Eucharist
- 2 Pray for the Holy Father and his intentions

"This is the Jubilee. This is the season of hope in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord."

POPE FRANCIS



Diocese of Rockville Centre

# Black Catholic History Month *Mass*



## 2025

### Nov. 16 • 2:30PM

*at the Cathedral of  
St. Agnes in Rockville Centre*

29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

*Light reception to follow  
in the Msgr. Kelly Parish Center*

**Celebrant  
Bishop  
John O. Barres**

**Homilist  
Father  
Scott Woods**

Father Scott Woods is pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in La Plata, Maryland, and administrator of St. Catherine of Alexandria and St. Ignatius of Loyola parishes. Previously, he served at St. Peter Claver and St. Cecilia Churches and as chaplain for St. Mary's College and St. Mary's Ryken High School, where he founded a spiritual direction program serving over 225 students. A native of Washington, D.C., he converted to Catholicism in high school and was ordained a priest in 2002 after earning degrees in philosophy, theology, and divinity.





TO BENEFIT HOPE HOUSE MINISTRIES

# CHRISTMAS WITH THE NEW YORK TENORS

DECEMBER 14, 2025 • 3:00PM

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**THE PATCHOGUE  
THEATRE**  
71 E. MAIN STREET  
PATCHOGUE, NY



**DANIEL  
RODRIGUEZ**

**ANDY  
COONEY**

**CHRISTOPHER  
MACCHIO**

WITH  
SPECIAL GUEST



**Sarah Juliano**  
Songstress

accompanied by  
**The Big Apple Ensemble**  
with Musical Director PJ Cardinal

ALSO FEATURING



Hope House Ministries  
THE HIMS and HER



**HIBERNIAN FESTIVAL SINGERS**

**TICKETS:**

Orchestra Level: \$86.00 | Balcony Level: \$76.00 (no elevator to this level)

**Purchase tickets online: <http://www.patchoguetheatre.org>**

**Box Office: 631-207-1313**

Make your check out to Hope House Ministries and send to:  
Mill Pond Music, PO Box 735, Massapequa Park NY 11762

Groups of 20 Will Receive a \$10 Discount Per Ticket and 1 Complimentary  
Balcony Seats are not eligible for Group Sales





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Please take some time look through the back pages of the bulletin! It features many local businesses (and often the work of parishioners) and the good work they do in our community. We have parishioners who do everything from car detailing to car mechanics to lacrosse training to taking care of pets. Take a look and learn more!

Did you know that St. John the Evangelist bulletin is printed free of charge each week? So please frequent the fine establishments that advertise in our bulletin!

Also, if your business could use a shot in the arm, consider advertising in the bulletin. Each weekend, the nearly 1,400 people who attend Mass at St. John the Evangelist - most of whom live and shop in the Moriches, Mastic, Shirley, Eastport, Speonk and Remsenberg area - receive or view our bulletin online. It's an easy way to reach thousands of families in the area with information about your business.

For more information on how to  
advertise in our bulletin, call  
The Church Bulletin Company  
at 631-249-4994

# Weekly Calendar

## Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 6:30-7:30 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 7-8 PM Holy Hour to Pray for Priests - SC

## Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Parish Officed Closed)

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 7 PM Divine Will - SC

## Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 9 AM-12 Noon Thrift Shop Open - Thrift Shop
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7 PM Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-4 PM Food Pantry Open - Ernie's Place
- 3:30-5:30 PM Legion of Mary- BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7:30 PM Al-Anon - BMR

## Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 3-7 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - SC
- 7 PM Narcotics Anonymous - BMR
- 7 PM Spanish Prayer Group - SC
- 7 PM Knights of Columbus - BINGO

## Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR
- 9 AM Men's Prayer Group - SC
- 10:30 AM Bereavement Group - BMR

## Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

- 6:45 AM Alcoholics Anonymous - BMR

BMR - Barn 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Mtg. Room  
BUR - Barn Upper Room  
SC - Seton Chapel  
AMR - Auditorium Mtg. Room